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Docket No VI87132B

Anticipated Classification of this application:

Class 156

<u>345</u> Subclass

Prior application:

Examiner:

Perez Ramos, Vanessa

Art Unit:

<u>1765</u>

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

FILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

This is a request for filing a
Continuation X Divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior application
serial no. <u>09/547,236</u> filed on <u>4/11/00</u>
of WEI-CHIEH HSU
for DITCH TYPE FLOATING RING FOR CHEMICAL MECHANICAL POLISHING

Copy of Prior Application as Filed which is Attached

I hereby verify that the attached papers are a copy of what is shown in my records to be the above identified prior application, including 'the oath or declaration originally filed (37 CFR 1.53(b)) (See 6 for drawing requirements.)

Declaration enclosed

Amendments

CANCEL IN THIS APPLICATION ORIGINAL CLAIMS 9-16 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

Express Mail Certificate

Express Mail No.ET474234202US

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail in an envelope addressed to Assistant Commissioner of Patents, Washington, Dc 20231. Applicant and/or Attorney requests the date of deposit as the Filing Date

(Date of Deposit)

(Sginature / Date)

X A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment in the property numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)

3. Fee Calculation

CLAIMS AS FILED						
FOR:	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	FEE		
BASIC FEE				\$ 740.		
TOTAL CLAIMS	8 -20=	0	x 18 =	\$ 0.		
INDEP CLAIMS	1 -3=	0	x 84 =	\$ 0.		
MULTIPLE I	DEPENDENT CLAIM	+ 260 =				

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	MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENTED + 260 =					
4.	Method Of Paymen	t of Fees		Filing Fee C	alculation \$ <u>740</u>	
	\equiv			f \$ 740. A duplicate of ge the following addition	this request is attached.	
	req	uired to Account No. X 37 CFR 1.16 (filir	19-0033 ng tees and presentation	on or extra claims)		
5.	Drawings					
i	Note: Do not check	the following box	if prior case is no	t to be abandoned.		
	Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and, subject to item 13 below,					
	abandon said prior application as of the fling date accorded this application. A duplicate Copy of this					
	request is enclosed for filing in the prior application file. (May only be used if signed by (1) applicant (2)					
	assignee o	of record or (3) attorne	y or agent of record au	thorized by 37CFR 1.1	38 and before payment of	
	issue fee.)	drawings are enclose	d			
		X formal	Informal			
6	Priority - 35 U.S.C.	119				
	Prior 35 U.S.C.		no Filed o	on In	Is claimed under	
	The	certified copy has beer	n filed in <i>prior</i> applicati	on serial no.	filed on	
7.	Assignm nt					



8. Power of Attorney	
The power of attorney in the prior	application is to GEORGE 0. SAILE, REG. NO. 19,572
a. X The power appears in the original	ginal papers in the prior application
b. Since the power does not app	pear in the original papers a copy of the power in the prior
application is enclosed.	
c. A new power has been execut	ted and is attached.
d. X Address all future communica	tions to
George 0. Saile 20 McIntosh Drive	
Poughkeepsie, N.Y. 126	503
9. Maintenance of copendency of Prior Application (This item must be complete and the papers filed it	f the period set in the prior application has run)
A petition, fee and response has b	een filed to extend the term in the pending prior application until
	tion when the petition for extension of time in that application is anted a tiling date so as to make this application copending with
made on information and belief are believed to be true; that willful false statements and the like so made are	ide herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements and further that these statements were made with the knowledge punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 ful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application
, , ,	Stephen B. Ackerman, Reg. No. 37,761 Type name of person signifing
February 12, 2002 Date	Signature
20 McIntosh Drive	Inventor
P.O. Address of Signatory	Asssignee of complete interest
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603	Person authorized to sign on behalf of assignee
Telephone No.: (845) 452-5863	X Attorney or agent of record